

EXHIBIT 5

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Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:34 AM
To: St. John, Joseph; Redmon, Jordan; James Percival
Cc: Reuveni, Erez R. (CIV); Fudim, Elissa P. (CIV); Ryan, Erin T. (CIV); Darrow, Joseph A. (CIV)
Subject: RE: Arizona v. Garland, No. 6:22-cv-1130 (W.D. La.) - Discovery

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Scott,

On the interrogatories, you already served and received responses to more than 25 interrogatories. We're not aware of any authority that allows for serving and seeking answers to more than 25 interrogatories without leave of the Court.

With multiple people traveling today for the hearing we are not available to meet and confer today.

Thanks,
Brian

From: St. John, Joseph <StJohnJ@ag.louisiana.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 12:44 AM
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Brian:

We are disappointed with Defendants' discovery responses. As you know, all earlier discovery was withdrawn, so there is no basis for Defendants' refusal to answer interrogatories. And your implicit concession that the Asylum Rule has been "paused" paired with a claim that there are no non-deliberative documents regarding that pause is shocking. We categorically reject the Orwellian idea of a secret agency action, and Defendants' reasons for "pausing" the Asylum Rule in view of the Administration-created crisis on the border are certainly relevant to Asylum Rule's harm to Plaintiff States. We also note that Defendants are once again doing exactly these same things on which they moved to compel, this time *after* moving to compel.

Given the close of discovery, we ask that Defendants make themselves available to meet-and-confer between 10 am and noon Central Time, tomorrow (Tuesday, May 23). Please provide a time.

Best regards,
Scott

From: Ward, Brian C. (CIV) [<mailto:Brian.C.Ward@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2023 9:14 PM
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Scott,

Please see attached.

Thanks,
Brian

From: St. John, Joseph <StJohnJ@ag.louisiana.gov>

Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 11:20 PM

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Counsel:

Please see the attached discovery requests.

Best regards,
Scott



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